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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 21, 1997, at 12 noon.

## House of Representatives

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 1997

The House met a 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. DREIER].

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 20, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable DAVID DREIER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

On this Inaugural Day, when the Nation affirms its traditions and welcomes the responsibilities of the years ahead, we ask Your blessing, O God, and pray for the gifts of faith and hope and love.

As we seek to renew our strength, we pray for faith; when we strive to walk the way of justice, we pray for hope; as we earnestly desire to be the people You would have us be, may we express the gift of love, even as we know Your love to us.

May Your special blessing this day be with our President and Vice President, with our Speaker and the people of this assembly, that in all things we will do justice, love mercy, and ever walk humbly with You. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HOSTETTLER] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HOSTETTLER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### APPOINTMENT AS MEMBER OF JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of 15 U.S.C. 1024(a) and the order of House of Tuesday, January 7, 1997, authorizing the Speaker and the minority leader to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House, the Speaker, on Thursday, January 9, 1997, appointed to the Joint Economic Committee the following Member of the House: Mr. SAXTON, New Jersey.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the House stands in recess until 10:15 a.m.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess until 10:15 a.m.

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### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. DREIER] at 10 o'clock and 17 minutes a.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair desires to announce that sitting Members have been delivered their official tickets and will be seated on the platform. There are no extra seats available, so former Members cannot join the procession. The same holds true for children. They can neither go with the procession nor be seated on the platform.

The area where Members of the House are to be seated is not covered. Members should keep this fact in mind in deciding whether to wear overcoats and hats.

The procession will be headed by the Sergeant at Arms bearing the mace. The Clerk will escort the Members to the west front of the Capitol. The procession will be led by the dean of the House, followed by the House leadership, committee chairmen, ranking minority Members, and other Members in order of seniority.

The Chair would encourage Members, as they gather in order of seniority, to congregate by classes in the well.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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